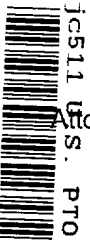


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FAULT GATE TO POSITION ERROR SIGNAL AS IT VARIES FROM ID TO OD"

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